

Limited and Director General Resettlement, Ministry of Defence in April, 1993. The said scheme has been reviewed and a revised Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between Coal India Limited and Director General Resettlement, Ministry of Defence in April, 1999.

Handing over Indian mines to foreign companies

**871. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI CHITTABRATA MAJUMDAR:**

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are considering the proposal to handover some of the Indian mines to foreign companies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the foreign companies have asked for special concessions to start mining operation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of the answer to part (a) above.

Annual demand and supply of coal

872. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that coal mining companies having firms supply with approved users can undertake mining coal blocks reserved for captive users;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the projections of annual demand and supply of coal for next 20-years and indigenous availability of coal in the country; and